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Mayor Behr, called the Public Hearing on FY14 Budget Amendment to order at 6:50 p.m. Council members present were Crosthwaite, Guy, Beuthien, and Lawson. Council member Warren was absent. No public input was presented. Mayor Behr, declared the hearing adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

Mayor Behr, called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. Council members present were Lawson, Beuthien, Guy, and Crosthwaite. Council member Warren was absent.

Motion by Crosthwaite, Second by Beuthien to approve the consent agenda including: minutes, financial report, and the following detail resolution. Ayes: All.

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Abby Kilburg	Cleaning City Hall	\$20.00
Alliant Energy	Utilities	\$3256.81
Anderson Sand & Gravel	Road Rock	\$67.08
Brewster, M.	Deposit Refund	\$70.64
Chad Miller	March Wages	\$840.00
Clinton Co Sheriff	Police Protection	\$1229.31
Dan Behr	March Wages	\$400.00
Dewitt Observer	Publications	\$143.91
ECINC	Lagoon Milltronics	\$272.50
Fitzgerald, S.	Deposit Refund	\$24.29
G&H Mowers LLC	Mower Trade-in & Carb Clean	\$2460.00
Grand Mound Coop	Telephone/Fax/Internet City	\$148.45
Grand Mound Coop	Telephone/Fax/Internet Fire Dept	\$85.24
Gary Hintz	Fill in Recycling Help	\$22.50
IAMU	Public Works Training	\$40.00
IA Dept of Revenue	Quarterly Withholding Tax	\$912.00
IA Dept of Revenue	Quarterly Sales Tax	\$1931.00
IMPI	2014 Clerk School	\$305.00
IA One Call	Locates for WA & SW	\$23.50
IPERS	March Payment	\$817.78
John Deere Financial	Shop Supplies	\$55.13
JJJ Enterprises	Frozen Pipes	\$2100.00
Melissa Conner	March Wages	\$1952.88
Melissa Conner	Conference Mileage Reimb.	\$212.80
Pillers & Richmond	Legal work	\$540.50
State Hygienic Lab	Samples	\$12.00
Steve Kilburg	March Wages	\$2702.83
Steve Kilburg	March CCSWA Meeting	\$30.00
Steve Kilburg	April CCSWA Meeting	\$30.00
TrueNorth Companies	Insurance	\$2231.14
TrueNorth Companies	Clerk Vol Life & Vision	\$31.17
TrueNorth Companies	Public Works Vol Vision	\$12.08
USA Food & Gas	Fuel for March	\$568.80
US Bank	Postage, Stationary & Fuel	\$451.30

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US Cellular	Public Works Cell Phone	\$49.58
Utility Equipment Co.	Water & Sewer line parts	\$325.12
Water Solutions Unlmtd	Water Chemicals	\$854.00
WGML	Garbage Contract & Appli Pickup	\$2119.00

<u>Account</u>	<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Expense</u>
General	\$10,734.54	\$7,047.09
Road Use	\$6,057.74	\$2,408.00
Employee Benefits	\$1,023.62	\$2,498.82
Emergency	\$139.13	\$0.00
Housing Rehab	\$0.00	\$-200.65
Water	\$6,526.10	\$15,463.00
Sewer	\$5,203.85	\$1,106.65
Garbage	\$3,739.27	\$738.93
TOTAL	\$33,424.25	\$29,061.84

The Clinton County Sheriff's report was read and showed 69.53 hours were spent in the city of Grand Mound from February 26th, 2014 to March 25th, 2014. During this time, Clinton County Sheriff's deputies issued 1 warning, 1 citation and handled 1 incident and answered 9 calls in the city of Grand Mound.

The City Attorney, Pillers, had no report at this time.

Motion by Crosthwaite, Second by Guy to approve selection C3 for the new City welcome signs.
Ayes: All.

Motion by Lawson, Second by Crosthwaite to approve the contract with Allen Sign Company in the amount of \$9,030.00 to be signed by Mayor Behr. Ayes: All.

Motion by Beuthien, Second by Guy to approve the Insurance Renewal with ICAP. Ayes: All.

Carol Galloway presented a landscaping project plan for City Park. The council was in favor of the project and requested City Employee, Kilburg, to arrange to have the Ash Tree removed near the pump house. The City will work with Carol & the landscaping company she hires to replace the tree with a decorative type to enhance the project. Council instructed Kilburg to work on removing the old shrubs near the bell to help reduce the cost of the project by approximately \$500.00.

Motion by Guy, Second by Crosthwaite to approve the Pledge request from ECIA in the amount of \$600.00 to assist a property at 511 Lincoln St with a First Time Home Buyer's Rehab Project.
Ayes; All.

The Vandalism that occurred at the Methodist Church was discussed and it was determined it would need to be handled through the Sheriffs department. A citizen asked the council if they would consider placing a bike stand at the bus stop, which is at the Methodist Church to help keep the children's bikes from accumulating in front of the church's door. Council requested the cost of the bike stand be researched by the City Clerk and presented at the May meeting.

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A citizen brought to the attention of council that there is graffiti spray painted on the sidewalks near a property on Sunnyside St and Williams St. The citizen wanted to know who is responsible for removing the graffiti. Attorney Pillers advised it is the responsibility of the homeowner to maintain the sidewalk and therefore remove the graffiti. Council instructed the City Clerk to send the homeowners a letter informing them of the graffiti and asking them to remove it within 30 days.

The issue of water pooling to the west of the Historical Building was discussed. Council instructed City employee Kilburg to look into a remedy for the issue.

Motion by Beuthien, Second by Crosthwaite to approve 2 railroad-crossing symbols to be painted by the Clinton County Engineer program. Ayes: All.

The JJJ Bill at Hwy 30 & East St was discussed and council instructed the City Clerk to move forward with issuing a Notice of Intent to file a lien, if the balance due to the City is not paid in full by April 19th, 2014.

Motion by Beuthien, Second by Guy to approve the transfer of \$43,381.00 from the Water Improvement Fund 600-000-1117 to the Water Checking Fund 600-000-1110 to cover the Budget Amendment for Business Type/Enterprises. Ayes: All.

Council reviewed the proposed Chapter 55 Animal Protection & Control draft and directed the City Clerk to place the revised ordinance on the Agenda for the May 12th Council meeting. At that time, the Ordinance will have its first reading and be voted upon. This will address removing the breed specific language from the town's current ordinance.

Motion by Guy, Second by Lawson, to approve Resolution 14-06" City Budget Amendment & Certification Resolution". Roll Call: Lawson- Aye, Beuthien- Aye, Guy- Aye, Crosthwaite- Aye. Nay: None.

City Employee Report: Kilburg reported there had been a dog at large a few times and it had no license/collar. The owner did claim the dog. Council instructed the City Clerk to send a notice to the owner to license the animal within 7 days or they would receive a municipal infraction. Kilburg reported ISO will be in town on April 28th completing a routine inspection in conjunction with the Fire Department and City. Kilburg reported the DNR inspection completed a few weeks ago came back showing the city to be doing very well and in compliance with minimal areas of concern. Kilburg also reported that the sewer lagoons are planned to be dumped next week and the City completed a trade in on a new mower with minimal cost.

City Clerk Report: Conner reported on a franchise letter received relating to the expired franchise agreement with the Grand Mound Coop. City Attorney Pillers will check to see if a new agreement is needed or not. Conner asked council for approval to abate a nuisance if it still exists after notice had been sent at a property on Sunnyside St. Council replied to abate as stated in the code and have the sheriff assist if necessary.

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Mayor Report: Mayor Behr asked if there had been any updates to the town complaints about the railroad idling trains in town. Attorney Pillers has not heard anything back. The Direct Contact the City was given for the issue at the Railroad is Karolyn Burchfield, AVP-Northern Region 1-402-544-8900/ Union Pacific Railroad 1400 Douglas St. Omaha, NE 68179; Or the, U.S. EPA at 1-734-214-4636/ U.S. EPA 2000 Traverwood Dr. Ann Arbor, MI 48105. Mayor Behr, also asked about cleaning the white rock out of the grass along the drive through the Cemetery; Kilburg replied that it has been taken care of.

Chairperson Beuthien noted that the front of the City Hall building needs be cleaned and asked Kilburg to check into completing that.

Chairperson Crosthwaite reported that the Phone Company has asked what the City can do about the water pooling issue in front of their business. Council discussed it and City Employee Kilburg will add this to the street repair project to correct that area.

Chairperson Guy discussed the NIMS training she attended and would like the town to do a campaign to get the word out about our towns emergency plans and to spread the word that if something happens in our town that the Community Center will be our go to point.

Chairperson Lawson reported on various areas on streets that need to be fixed. During this time a Citizen asked if a street sweeper could be rented to help clean up the curb and gutter areas in town. Kilburg will check into this.

Chairperson Warren- Absent.

Motion by Beuthien, Second by Guy to adjourn at 9:35 p.m. The next City Council meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on May 12th, 2014 at the Grand Mound City Hall located at 615 Sunnyside St, Grand Mound IA 52751.



Melissa Conner
City Clerk



Dan Behr
Mayor

"These minutes are not official minutes until approved by City Council."